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Attached are listings of broadcasts or broadcast segments, which, in the station's judgment, reflect the station's most significant programming treatment of ascertained community issues during the preceding three-month period.

WBZ-TV broadcasts both locally produced and network programming. Although we include primarily local programs herein, WBZ-TV broadcasts several network programs, including Face The Nation, 60 Minutes, and 48 Hours, which we believe also serve community needs and interests.

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I-Team Reports – Reporters Kathy Curran and Joe Shortsleeve provide an investigative look at major institutions and events within the viewing area. Issues related to government, politics, big business, financial issues, corruption and crime are explored in-depth during the station's newscasts. Duration: range from two minutes to four minutes. Air: Monday - Friday, 5pm, 6pm and 11pm.

Healthwatch – Medical reports on recent developments and potential treatments in medicine. Duration: one minute and thirty seconds. Air: Monday - Friday, 5pm, 6pm and 11pm.

“Centro” – Regularly scheduled news interview broadcast segment providing an in-depth exploration of issues concerning the Latino community with host Yadires Nova-Salcedo. Duration: four minutes and thirty seconds. Air: Saturday, 7:50am and Sunday, 7:25am.

Keller At Large – Political Analyst Jon Keller interviews local politicians and community leaders to create dialogue about current events and issues of importance to New England citizens. Duration: eight minutes. Air: Sunday, 8:45am.

Curiosity – is an on-going series where we ask viewers: What intrigues you? What interests you? What confuses you? WBZ-TV finds answers to what our viewers are curious about. Viewers go to www.declareyourcuriosity.com to let us know and they just may find their curiosities have made their way on to WBZ-TV. Duration: 2 minutes. Air: Monday-Friday 5pm, 6pm. 11pm.

"Wednesday's Child" - News anchor Jack Williams is successfully increasing public awareness of the needs of children waiting for adoptive families. These children are primarily school-aged children, children of color of all ages, sibling groups and children who face intellectual, physical or emotional challenges. Duration: 2-3 minutes. Air: Wednesday 5pm.

"What's in Our Community" – A 4-minute feature segment that airs within the 30-minute "What's in Store" program. "What's in Store" is a half hour program that highlights businesses and entrepreneurs in the region and airs one or two Sundays per month at 11AM. The "What's in Our Community" piece features the outstanding work of a local charity and/or community outreach organization. Duration: 4-minutes within thirty-minute program.

I-Team

7/2/10: I-Team's Kathy Curran reports on a Chelmsford police officer who may be using repair license plates illegally.

7/5/10: I-Team's Joe Shortsleeve reports on recalled children's medication that is still on the shelf. Despite many companies having policies to remove recalled products, an I-Team investigation revealed that many stores sold them nonetheless. Congress and the FDA are investigating the recall.

7/8/10: I-Team's Joe Shortsleeve reports that a quarter of the moorings in the town of Newbury have been given over for free to four riverfront businesses that then rent the moorings back to the public for as much as \$700 a summer, with the town and state getting nothing. The state's Inspector General has taken notice and the Newbury selectmen say they will comply with whatever changes the Inspector General wants them to make.

7/19/10: I-Team's Joe Shortsleeve reports that Framingham's Woodrow Wilson Elementary school is suffering a fall enrollment that is down 25%. The decline is because it is located next door to hazardous waste facility owned by the General Chemical Corporation. The company has been fined for sloppy and possibly dangerous business practices. However, the air and water at the school have been tested and are fine and the school's superintendent says that the school is safe.

7/20/10: I-Team's Joe Shortsleeve reports that Dr. Leonard Friedman, a North Shore doctor has been caught selling prescriptions. An undercover federal agent was able to pose as a patient and purchase 14 prescriptions from Dr. Friedman. The case is being prosecuted by the Suffolk County District Attorney.

7/22/10: Kathy Curran reports on the misuse of handicapped parking passes. The I-Team conducted an investigation with the Inspector General's Office and Boston Police to find cases where handicapped parking passes did not match the person using them, in some cases it was state employees misusing the passes. Misuse of a handicapped parking pass is a criminal offense and carries a \$500 fine.

7/23/10: Kathy Curran follows up on a previous investigation regarding handicapped parking pass misuse. The I-Team goes back and checks the same spaces that their original investigation focused on the day before and found that there were no state workers parked illegally. The Inspector General says that they will continue to conduct undercover investigations to find people parking illegally with handicapped passes.

7/26/10: I-Team's Kathy Curran reports that members of a Sandcastle Resort timeshare on Cape Cod are upset because they are being forced to choose between giving up their deed or pay a high cost to renovate the timeshare. Members accuse the owner of the Sandcastle of using scare tactics to force them to give up their deeds and pay three thousand dollars to join a national timeshare company. The Attorney General's office is interested in hearing from people who have been subjected to Sandcastle's misleading sales tactics.

8/4/10: I-Team's Joe Shortsleeve reports that Signet Electronics has been suspended by the state for allegedly influencing bids by persuading architects and engineers to name the company as an exclusive bidder. Company executives have told the state that they want a hearing to fight the suspension. Signet is not allowed to take on any new work involving taxpayer dollars.

8/12/10: I-Team's Kathy Curran reports on a former Concord police officer who is collecting a tax-free government disability pension despite being able to compete in triathlons and work as a lifeguard. An I-Team undercover investigation caught former police officer Dotty Martin working as a lifeguard and using her shoulder that is supposed to have been injured in a training accident in 1989. The investigation also revealed that Martin may have falsely reported her earnings on her annual statement as well.

8/13/10: I-Team's Kathy Curran conducts a follow-up report on the "Touched by Angels" charity. The charity has been under investigation by the Attorney General's office and has been prohibited from accepting any donations until the outcome of the investigation is decided. Gina Clark, the president of the charity had no comment about the latest developments.

8/19/10: I-Team's Kathy Curran reports new developments in the case of the ex-police officer from Concord, Dotty Martin, who is collecting \$23,600 a year tax free in a disability pension despite being able to use the shoulder that is supposedly disabled. The I-Team's investigation has compelled Concord town officials to ask the state's Public Employee Retirement Administration to reopen Martin's case.

8/20/10: I-Team's Kathy Curran follows up on the "Touched by Angels" investigation. Gina Clark, President of the "Touched by Angels" foundation is going to court on criminal charges of threatening to harm the co-founder of the charity in 2008. The charity is currently out of business pending the outcome of the trial in a few months.

8/24/10: I-Team's Joe Shortsleeve reports that many Massachusetts boat owners are registering their boats in New Hampshire or Rhode Island to avoid paying sales tax on them. The Massachusetts department of Revenue has conducted more than 700 investigations of boat sales tax fraud this year and has recovered over \$1 million.

9/20/10: I-Team's Joe Shortsleeve reports on an I-Team investigation of speeding trolleys on the Green Line in Boston. In several places, the aboveground trolleys have to obey a 10 mile an hour speed limit. However, an I-Team investigation did not find any trolleys obeying the limit and clocked many going two to three times the limit. The MBTA says if a driver is caught going faster than 10 miles per hour in these areas, they can get suspended. Forty-six drivers have been suspended this year.

9/22/10: I-Team's Joe Shortsleeve reports that tires on cars can fail if they are too old. An I-Team investigation revealed that some tires in stores are nearly three years old, and many consumers do not know how old their tires are when they buy them. Sean Kane, an automotive safety expert, tells the I-Team that after 6 years, a tire begins to break down and is unsafe. However, the Rubber Manufacturers Association does not support the idea of putting expiration dates on tires.

9/22/10: I-Team's Joe Shortsleeve reports on allegations that MBTA officer Anne Marie Collins may have stolen thousands of dollars of taxpayer money by getting paid for shifts that she did not actually work. Collins is on leave with pay while The MBTA investigates the allegations.

9/23/10: I-Team's Kathy Curran reports on Stephen Donovan, an assistant clerk of the civil court, who was caught by the I-Team drinking during work hours at a local bar. The I-Team investigated and found that Stephen Donovan was hired by his brother Michael Donovan in 1977. Sources tell the I-Team that Stephen's drinking on the job is well known in the clerk's office. Stephen Donovan retired in July after 33 years.

9/24/10: I-Team's Kathy Curran follows up on the investigation of the former Concord police officer who is collecting a disability pension for her shoulder, despite working as a lifeguard and teaching gymnastics. The Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission investigated after the I-Team reported that Dottie Martin may have not

declared all her income and determined that Martin may have to pay back almost \$60,000 to the town of Concord. Martin's lawyer did not comment.

9/27/10: I-Team's Kathy Curran reports on an I-Team investigation of a drunk driver who is still driving despite having his license revoked. The I-Team followed James Rooney, who has a suspended license, and found him driving over and over again. People who provide cars to individuals with suspended licenses could lose their license or face jail time.

9/29/10: I-Team's Joe Shortsleeve reports that all members of the MBTA's police motorcycle unit have been banned from working funeral processions following claims that officers accepted personal checks from funeral homes. The officers have not been suspended or put on leave.

9/30/10: I-Team's Kathy Curran follows up on the I-Team's investigation of James Rooney, who continued to drive despite having his license revoked. New information suggests that Rooney failed to reveal his criminal convictions to liquor licensing officials and that he is now the target of a criminal investigation.

Healthwatch Reports

7/1/10: Healthwatch reports on a new vaccine that is showing promise in treating melanoma. Healthwatch also reports on how Massachusetts has passed a law allowing doctors to prescribe long-term antibiotics for Lyme Disease patients. The report features an interview with Dr. Mark Pasternak of Massachusetts General Hospital and Lyme advocates Robin Lemieux and Donna Castle.

7/5/10: Healthwatch reports on which foods are the most nutritious.

7/6/10: Healthwatch reports on how British researchers are testing a new vaccine that can potentially help prevent hay fever, asthma and allergies.

7/8/10: Healthwatch reports on how a new study finds taking fish oil may help lower breast cancer risk. Additionally, the FDA approves new mini-telescope device for blindness.

7/9/10: Healthwatch reports on how the FDA plans to hold hearings on the safety of Avandia. Also reported was the fact that gestational diabetes can increase health risks for both mom and babies.

7/12/10: Healthwatch reports on a new study that finds that people who have sleep apnea have a higher risk of heart disease. Also, a new report recommends cholesterol testing for all kids, not just those at high risk due to family history. Another report finds that people who have high Vitamin D levels have a lower risk of Alzheimer's.

7/13/10: Healthwatch reports on how researchers at Brigham and Women's Hospital are enrolling 10,000 patients to take part in a new landmark genetic research study to help determine genetic and environmental causes of disease. The report features an interview with Dr. Christine Seidman of Brigham & Women's Hospital.

7/14/10: Healthwatch reports on how an FDA panel is recommending that the diabetes drug Avandia be kept on the market despite concerns about possible heart risks for some patients. The report features a live interview with Dr. David Nathan who is the Director of Massachusetts General Hospital Diabetes Center.

7/15/10: Healthwatch reports on a new study that finds drinking any type of alcohol can raise a person's stroke risk for one hour immediately after consumption

7/16/10: Healthwatch reports on a new study that finds that drinking tea hydrates better than water.

7/19/10: Healthwatch reports on how researchers have developed a new patch to deliver the flu vaccine.

7/20/10: Healthwatch reports on how an FDA panel is recommending that Avastin no longer be used for breast cancer patients after studies show no survival benefit. Also, a new study finds that women who report using household cleaners the most are at greater risk of developing breast cancer. The report also features an interview with Julia Brody of the Silent Spring Institute.

7/22/10: Healthwatch reports on a new study which suggests that it is safe for most women to attempt vaginal birth after a Cesarean section.

7/23/10: Healthwatch reports on a new study that recommends exercise for cancer patients.

7/26/10: Healthwatch reports on how Kraft Foods plans to double the amount of whole grains in Nabisco cracker products over the next several years.

7/27/10: Healthwatch reports on how doctors have developed new non-invasive alternative for permanent birth control. Additionally, new reports rank New Hampshire and Massachusetts among best states for children's health in the US.

7/28/10: Healthwatch reports on two new studies that find performing CPR without mouth-to-mouth may be more effective. Additionally, Healthwatch reports on a new study that finds that taking calcium supplements can raise risk for heart attack in some patients by up to 30%.

8/2/10: Healthwatch reports on how a new mini-telescope is helping to improve vision in patients with Macular Degeneration.

8/3/10: Healthwatch reports on a new report that finds that more than 30 million Americans are now considered obese. Additionally, Healthwatch reports that obesity rates have risen in nine states.

8/4/10: Healthwatch reports on a new study that finds that fructose can raise cancer risk by up to 50%. Additionally, a new study finds that people who use online support groups and diet websites are more likely to keep weight off.

8/5/10: Healthwatch reports on Eliot Tatelman and his family who are running a free camp for kids with HIV. The report features an interview with June & Eliot Tatelman.

8/6/10: Healthwatch reports that a teenage cancer survivor is riding the Pan Mass. Challenge with her parents. The report features an interview with Valerie Bradley, her father Larry, and mother Liz.

8/9/10: Healthwatch reports on a new study that finds the larger your waist, the higher your risk of disease and dying. Additionally, a new study finds that girls are reaching puberty much earlier.

8/10/10: Healthwatch reports on how new laser treatment is showing promise in zapping away prostate cancer with fewer side effects.

8/11/10: Healthwatch reports on how scientists have developed a new 15-minute test to diagnose autism. Additionally, there is evidence that a new antibiotic resistant superbug is spreading to New England.

8/12/10: Healthwatch reports on how a New York couple donated their kidneys to their twins.

8/16/10: Healthwatch reports on how a study by Brigham & Women's found that high-quality chocolate can help lower heart risks. Furthermore, a new study finds indoor allergies may exacerbate outdoor allergies. Healthwatch also reports on symptoms of eastern equine encephalitis. The report features an interview with Dr. Martin Hirsch of Massachusetts General Hospital.

8/17/10: Healthwatch reports on how a new study finds that younger students are more likely to be diagnosed with ADHD. The report also features an interview with Dr. Lenny Rappaport of the Children's Hospital. Additionally, a new report finds that more teens are suffering severe hearing loss at younger ages.

8/18/10: Healthwatch reports on a new study that finds that probiotics may help ease colic symptoms in babies. Healthwatch also reports that repeated concussions may lead to ALS-like disease.

8/20/10: Healthwatch reports on how Braintree family is raising money for research for organ disease called galactosemia- interview with Sean & Kristine Lydon and Dr. Gerard Berry/Children's hospital Boston.

8/23/10: Healthwatch reports on how the American College of Obstetricians is now recommending prophylactic antibiotics for all women having Cesarean deliveries. The report also features an interview with Dr. Laura Rile of Massachusetts General Hospital. Also, a new study finds that drinking water helps with weight loss. Additionally, Healthwatch reports on how Brigham & Women's Hospital is screening candidates for hand transplants. The report features an interview with Dr. Bohdan Pomahac of Brigham & Women's Hospital.

8/24/10: Healthwatch reports on how a new federal court ruling will affect local stem cell researchers. The report also features an interview with Dr. Leonard Zon of the Children's Hospital Stem Cell program.

8/25/10: Healthwatch reports on a new drug that is showing promise for treating melanoma.

8/26/10: Healthwatch reports on a new study that finds Bisphenol A may raise testosterone levels. Additionally, Healthwatch reports a new cellulite treatment that combines radiofrequency and vacuum to remove cellulite.

8/30/10: Healthwatch reports on how scientists have discovered the first genetic link to migraines. Also, a new report finds that concussions are up 200% among high school athletes.

9/1/10: Healthwatch reports on a new study that finds having an active mind may actually be detrimental if you develop Alzheimer's.

9/5/10: Healthwatch reports on a new drug showing promise in treating advanced melanoma. Also, a new report finds that certain chemicals in nonstick cookware and waterproofing materials may raise cholesterol levels.

9/8/10: Healthwatch reports on a new drug that shows promise in treating lung cancer.

9/9/10: Healthwatch reports on how researchers at Dana-Farber are using money from the first Standup to Cancer special to investigate new treatments. The report features an interview with Dr. Loren Walensky of Dana Farber and patient Maddy McKinley and her mother, Karen.

9/14/10: Healthwatch reports on how a new study finds that playing video games may increase reaction time in real life. Also, a patient was treated at Massachusetts General Hospital earlier this year for a superbug after traveling to India. A new report finds that people with so-called Type D personality who are always depressed are at higher risk for heart disease.

9/15/10: Healthwatch reports on how the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists is once again urging all pregnant women to get both seasonal flu and H1N1 vaccine. Also, researchers discover a new genetic link to autism.

9/16/10: Healthwatch reports on a new survey that finds illegal drug use is increasing. Another study suggests that taking aspirin can help lower your risk of colon cancer.

9/17/10: Healthwatch reports on how the FDA is delaying decision on whether to continue allowing Avastin to be used for breast cancer treatment.

9/20/10: Healthwatch reports on how a new study finds that getting flu shots can lower your risk of heart disease.

9/21/10: Healthwatch reports on a local doctor that received a kidney from her husband who is a kidney disease specialist as part of six-person swap. The report features an interview with patient Dr. Roberta Falke & her husband, Dr. Andrew Levey and Dr. Ron Perrone of Tufts Medical Center.

9/22/10: Healthwatch reports on a new study that finds the first new pill that shows promise in treating multiple sclerosis.

9/23/10: Healthwatch reports on how Europe is phasing out diabetes drug Avandia because it has been linked to hearing problems. Additionally, a new study finds that increasing daily activity at work and at home can help lower a women's risk of invasive breast cancer.

9/24/10: Healthwatch reports on how a new treatment called: High-Intensity Focused Ultrasound is being used to treat prostate cancer patients.

9/27/10: Healthwatch reports on a California woman who suffers from a rare condition where her bones vanish. A new survey finds that nearly half of American workers need coffee to get through the work day. Also, Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream agree to stop using the "all natural" labeling on certain products.

9/28/10: Healthwatch reports on how local researchers find a new pill, R-788, is showing promise in treating rheumatoid arthritis. The report features an interview with Dr. Jonathan Kay of University of Massachusetts Memorial Medical center and patient Georgianna Aronson.

9/29/10: Healthwatch reports on how a British company has developed a new test that can detect prostate cancer more quickly and accurately.

9/30/10: Healthwatch reports on a new Swedish study that finds mammograms lower the risk of breast cancer deaths in women in their 40s by 26% or more. Also, Walgreens will start selling special envelopes so people can send unused medication to a facility to be

destroyed. Additionally, researchers at Children's Hospital and Harvard University have developed a way to turn skin cells into stem cells without using human embryos.

Ethnic Relations: “Centro”

7/2/10: WBZ’s Yadires Nova-Salcedo talks with Craig Dias from the Latino Alliance of the MBTA about their accomplishments and a free networking event they are hosting.

7/16/10: WBZ’s Yadires Nova-Salcedo talks with the Puerto Rican Festival’s Vice President Apolo Catala.

7/23/10: WBZ’s Yadires Nova-Salcedo talks with Kaleidoscope and Get Konnected founder Colette Phillips about multi-cultural networking events held by her organization to introduce professionals from various communities of color.

7/30/10: WBZ’s Yadires Nova-Salcedo talks with Spanish language newspaper el Mundo’s Vice-President Alberto Vasallo III.

8/6/10: WBZ’s Yadires Nova-Salcedo talks with Children’s Hospital Development Specialist Andres Trevino about the “Milagros Para Ninos” Fundraising Campaign.

8/11/10: WBZ’s Yadires Nova-Salcedo talks with the Dominican Festival’s head of Public Relations Paptian Calderon.

8/23/10: WBZ’s Yadires Nova-Salcedo talks via satellite with Asthma Specialist Dr. Jaime Alvarez and Actress, Singer and Former Miss Universe Dayanara Torres.

8/23/10: WBZ’s Yadires Nova-Salcedo talks with Mrs. Ethnic New England 2010 Lovern Augustine.

9/2/10: WBZ’s Yadires Nova-Salcedo talks with The Dimock Center’s President/CEO Ruth Ellen Fitch about their programs, services, and upcoming events to help communities of color be more informed about the importance of taking care of their health.

9/24/10: WBZ’s Yadires Nova-Salcedo talks with Armando Silva from the Mayor’s Office of New Bostonians.

9/24/10: WBZ’s Yadires Nova-Salcedo talks with Community Action Partnership’s President/CEO Don Mathis.

9/24/10: WBZ’s Yadires Nova-Salcedo talks with Aujah Fairbain, co-founder of the Men’s Health Outreach Program at the Cartas Physician Network’s Urology Division about prostate health.

9/29/10: WBZ's Yadires Nova-Salcedo talks with Governor Deval Patrick about issues that are of importance to the Latino community.

Keller At Large

7/4/10: WBZ's John Keller interviews body language expert Don Khoury and analyzes recent footage of the candidates for governor. Keller and Khoury discuss how candidates use movements and gestures to enhance their messages.

7/11/10: WBZ's John Keller interviews State Senator Steve Baddour (D-Methuen), chairman of the Senate Transportation Committee, discussing the new texting-while-driving ban, the status of casino legislation, and the impact of the sales tax hike on Merrimack Valley businesses.

7/18/10: WBZ's John Keller interviews Lt. Gov. Tim Murray (D) and discusses the Patrick administration's economic development policies and relations with labor unions.

7/25/10: WBZ's John Keller interviews Melrose Mayor, Rob Dolan (D), president of the Massachusetts Mayors Association. Keller and Dolan discuss the need for new municipal revenue sources, frayed relations between municipalities and state government, and voter mood heading into the upcoming elections.

8/1/10: WBZ's John Keller interviews Boston City Council President Michael Ross and discusses the state of crime and the economy in Boston as well as the slow pace of efforts to develop downtown Boston.

8/8/10: WBZ's John Keller interviews Robert Haynes, President of Massachusetts AFL-CIO. They discuss the role of organized labor in the upcoming elections and the need for more blue-collar job development across the state.

8/15/10: WBZ's John Keller interviews Northeastern University journalism Professor Dan Kennedy and analyzes local media coverage of the race for governor and how it influences the campaign.

8/22/10: WBZ's John Keller interviews Suffolk County Sheriff Andrea Cabral discussing suicide prevention at the Suffolk County jail, the nature of the jail population, and the status of gang crime in the region.

8/29/10: WBZ's John Keller holds a 15-minute debate between the two candidates in the Democratic primary for the Ninth Congressional District, incumbent Stephen Lynch and challenger Mac D'Alessandro. Issues included who is more in tune with the interests of organized labor, federal health care reform, the war in Afghanistan and the federal banking bailout bill.

9/5/10: WBZ's John Keller holds a 15-minute debate between the two candidates in the Democratic primary for the Tenth Congressional District, Norfolk County DA William Keating and State Sen. Robert O'Leary of Barnstable. Issues included protecting the social security trust fund, relations between the US and Venezuela, and the Cape Wind project.

9/12/10: WBZ's John Keller interviews body language expert Don Khoury analyzing footage of the WBZ gubernatorial debate and discussing how the candidates interacted and reacted to certain questions.

9/19/10: WBZ's John Keller interviews Craig Sandler, CEO of the State House News Service, analyzing the September 14th primary elections. Topics included the role of the Tea Party movement, anti-incumbent sentiment, and voter reaction to negative campaigning.

9/27/10: WBZ's John Keller interviews Christen Varley, President of the Greater Boston Tea Party, discussing the activist movement, what its goals are, and what role it will play in the upcoming election.

Curiosity

6/28/10: Viewers are curious why stores have to check their receipts.

6/29/10: Viewers are curious about the use of force in a State Police arrest.

6/30/10: Viewers are curious about how Boston's recycling program works.

7/1/10: Viewers are curious about whether they are paying for water in canned foods.

7/2/10: Viewers are curious about how the oil spill in the Gulf will impact New England.

7/12/10: Viewers are curious about where donations to Haiti are going.

7/13/10: Viewers are curious about how water temperatures are gathered.

7/13/10: Viewers are curious about what a worker on the Massachusetts Turnpike does.

7/14/10: Viewers are curious about the legality of charities collecting money in traffic.

7/21/10: Viewers are curious about prescription drugs in drinking water.

7/27/10: Viewers are curious about never-ending road construction.

7/28/10: Viewers are curious about what happens to unclaimed cremated remains.

7/28/10: Viewers are curious why lawmakers fail to get much done.

7/28/10: Viewers are curious about how long it will take to repair the Citgo sign near Fenway Park.

8/9/10: Viewers are curious about possible damage to their tires from driving over grooved pavement.

8/13/10: Viewers are curious why some towns get more rain than others.

8/13/10: Viewers are curious if they will be able to take advantage of the tax free holiday if they order products by phone or online.

8/17/10: Viewers are curious why some trees are changing color early.

8/17/10: Viewers are curious about a new alternative allergy treatment.

8/19/10: Viewers are curious about how much it would have cost to keep Phillip Markoff in prison.

8/20/10: Viewers are curious about rules regarding the return of empty bottles and cans.

8/25/10: Viewers are curious about why sound barriers are built in some areas but not in others.

9/1/10: Viewers are curious why the MBTA gives out one dollar coins for change.

9/6/10: Viewers are curious why so many people have tattoos.

9/9/10: Viewers are curious why defendants are allowed to cover up their identity.

9/9/10: Viewers are curious why Tom Brady has New Jersey plates on his car.

9/22/10: Viewers are curious why there are so many acorns this fall.

9/24/10: Viewers are curious about the appropriate weight for a children's backpack to weigh.

10/1/10: Viewers are curious why scooters can park on sidewalks.

What's in Our Community?

6/27/10: From food...to fireworks! Get an inside look at this year's Boston Pops Fireworks Spectacular, courtesy of Liberty Mutual, the official sponsor of Boston's 4th of July.

7/11/10: For more than 50 years, the Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination has been the state's chief civil rights agency. Chairman, Malcolm Medley gives us an inside look.

8/8/10: See how Youth Link, an innovative program that helps build relationships between at-risk youth and police officers, has already improved countless lives in poverty-stricken neighborhoods.

9/12/10: Lovelane has been providing special needs horseback riding since 1988. Learn how their programs are not only therapeutic, but also focus on each student's abilities.

9/26/10: Learn how the Massachusetts Down Syndrome Congress strives to ensure individuals with Down Syndrome are valued, included, and given the opportunities to pursue fulfilling lives.

This Quarterly Issues/Program List was placed in the Public File on Thursday, October 7, 2010 by Ro Dooley Webster, Director of Communications and Public Affairs.